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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID, PFOR, LA, CA

SUBJECT: LAO AID SEEKING MISSION TO CANADA

1. LAO AMBASSADOR KHAMPHAN PANYA INFORMED US THAT DEFENSE MINISTER SISOUK NA CHAMPASSAK SCHEUDLED VISIT OTTAWA MARCH 31 TO APRIL 4 TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL AID FOR PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT NATIONAL UNION. VISIT WILL BE CONTINUATION OF AID SEEKING MISSIONS PGNU HAS SENT IN PAST SIX MONTHS TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES THROUGHOUT WORLD. SISOUK IS ONE OF LEADERS OF VIENTIANE SIDE, ONE OF TWO FACTIONS. IN COALITION GOVERNMENT. AS HAS BEEN CASE WITH PREVIOUS MISSIONS LED BY SISOUK, HIS DEPUTY WILL PROBABLY BE A SECRETARY OF STATE FROM COMMUNIST LAO PATRIOTIC FRONT FACTION.

2. KHAMPHAN ALSO SAID THAT HE EXPECTS RECEIVE CREDENTIALS FROM LAOS SHORTLY AND PROCEED TO OTTAWA TO PRESENT THEM AS FIRST LAO AMBASSADOR TO CANADA, PROBABLY BEFORE SISOUK'S ARRIVAL. INGERSOLL

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